COMBATING TERRORISM

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs, and International Relations held a hearing on Combating Terrorism: Management of Medical Stockpiles. Testimony was heard from Linda M. Calbom, Director, Financial Management and Assurance, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Susan Mather, M.D., Chief, Public Health and Environmental Hazards Office; and Kristi L. Koening, M.D., Chief Consultant, Emergency Management Strategic Healthcare Group; the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Robert F. Knouss, M.D., Director, Office of Emergency Preparedness, Public Health Service; and James M. Hughes, M.D., Director, National Center for Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and Col. Carlos R. Hollifield, USMC, Commanding Officer, Chemical Biological Incident Response Force (CBIRF), U.S. Marine Corps, Department of Defense.

CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

Committee on House Administration: Held a hearing on Campaign Finance Reform. Testimony was heard from Senators McConnell, Hagel and Feingold; and Representatives Gephardt, DeLay, Shays and Meehan.

COMPREHENSIVE RETIREMENT SECURITY AND PENSION REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: Committee granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing ninety minutes of debate in the House, on H.R. 10, Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act of 2001, with sixty minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means and thirty minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule provides that, in lieu of the amendments recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Education and the Workforce, the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Congressional Record and numbered 1 shall be considered as adopted. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill as amended. The rule provides for consideration of the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Rules Committee report, if offered by Representative Rangel or his designee, which shall be considered as read, and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the amendment

printed in the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairmen Thomas and Boehner; and Representatives Portman, Morella, Rangel, Cardin, Andrews and Velázquez.

INVESTOR AND CAPITAL MARKETS FEE RELIEF ACT

Committee on Rules: Heard testimony from Chairman Oxley and Representatives Fossella, LaFalce and Kanjorski, but action was deferred on H.R. 1088, Investor and Capital Markets Fee Relief Act.

MEDICARE+CHOICE: LESSONS FOR REFORM

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Medicare+Choice: Lessons for Reform. Testimony was heard from Madeleine Smith, Specialist in Social Legislation, Domestic Policy Division, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2001

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of Labor, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., SD–138.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2001 for the Joint Economic Committee, Joint Tax Committee, Library of Congress, and the Congressional Research Service, 10 a.m., SD–128.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2002 for the Joint Economic Committee, Joint Committee on Taxation, Library of Congress, and Congressional Research Service, 10 a.m., S–128, Capitol.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Oceans and Fisheries, to hold hearings on individual fishing quotas, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine the scientific, legal, religious, and ethical issues regarding human cloning, and review the role Congress has in regulating public and private research into human cloning, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the science of global climate change and issues related to reducing net greenhouse gas emissions, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings on the Department of Justice nominations, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights, and Competition, to hold hearings on the implementation of the Telecommunications Act and its impact on competition in the industry, 2 p.m., SD–226.

House

Committee on Agriculture, to continue hearings on Federal Farm Commodity Programs, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Rural Development and Research, hearing to review energy supply and demand issues affecting the agricultural sector of the U.S. economy, 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies, on the Food and Nutrition Service, 9:30 a.m., 2362–A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary, on the Attorney General, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on the Secretary of Energy, 10 a.m., 2362–B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, on Members of Congress, 9 a.m., B-308, Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services and Education, on the Secretary of Health and Human Services, 10 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, on the U.S. Coast Guard, 1 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service and General Government, on the Secret Service, 10 a.m., and the IRS, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies, on the Council on Environmental Quality, 9:30 a.m., and the Court of Appeals for Veterans' Claims, 11 a.m., H–143 Capitol.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to mark up H.R. 1, No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 11 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing on a pro-

posal to permit certain entities to offer real estate brokerage and real estate management services, 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing on reauthorization of the Export-Import Bank, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, to mark up H.R. 1646, Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 2002 and 2003, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on the U.S. Copyright Office, 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Research, hearing on Improving Math and Science Education so that No Child is Left Behind, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on NASA Posture, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on the short-term and long-term implications of the procurement policies of the Pentagon that favored China, and other foreign countries, as the suppliers of berets for the Army rather than this Nation's small business, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Sub-committee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on the following: Army Corp's of Engineers' budget and priorities for fiscal year 2001; and on EPA's Budget and Priorities for fiscal year 2002, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on International Policy and National Security, executive, briefing on NATO Intelligence Sharing, 10 a.m., H–405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine the current status of human rights and democracy in Ukraine and the role of the United States in assisting Ukraine's development as an independent, market-oriented democracy in the face of the current political crisis, 9:30 a.m., 334 Cannon Building.